

February 27, 2023

Testimony in regard to HB5326 AN ACT CONCERNING THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING APPEALS PROCESS AND REMOVING THE MUNICIPAL OPT-OUT DEADLINE FOR ACCESSORY APARTMENTS.

Chairmen Moore, Lesser, Fonfara, Hochodel, Ranking Members Sampson, Scott and Members of the Housing Committee,

I am Anne Manusky, Connecticut resident for over 24 years, wife, mother as well as former CT Licensed Professional Counselor and current president of the Connecticut Republican Assembly.

The CT Republican Assembly has members and friends totalling over 500 Republicans and conservatives across the eight counties of Connecticut. We stand firm in our principles and unalienable Rights under the US Constitution, as well as the Rights and responsibilities within the Connecticut Constitution.

The citizens of Connecticut are under attack by outside forces, one namely **DesegregateCT**,

"Formed in June 2020, in the aftermath of the murder of George Floyd and the renewed conversation on racial justice, our work is about first imagining and then enacting a new vision for local and state land use policies that promotes economic growth, racial inclusivity, and environmental sustainability. We leverage original research and grassroots organizing in service of public education and policy change at all levels of government."

And...

"Desegregate Connecticut emerged in June 2020 during a period of rising public awareness about inequities in our society, as exposed by the twin pandemics of COVID and racial injustice. It is a program of Regional Plan Association, a nonprofit that for 100 years has advanced ideas to improve economic health, environmental resiliency, and quality of life in the NJ-NY-CT region, and that has a century-long record of public engagement and service in Connecticut."

The Regional Plan Association, is a New York entity, and this whole plan is an affront and usurpation of our sovereign Rights as citizens of the state of Connecticut.

Many in our Connecticut legislature are looking away from the Connecticut Constitution, and their Oath of Office, especially so during COVID, in which still has our state under Emergency Orders.

Many who are pushing for Equity in Housing of CT do not understand that their Rights are being usurped by an outside entity.

Our Founders wrote the Declaration of Independence and created our United states of America with Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness; this was also completed even earlier by our Connecticut founders and written into our Connecticut Constitution. :

PREAMBLE.

The People of Connecticut acknowledging with gratitude, the good providence of God, in having permitted them to enjoy a free government; do, in order more effectually to define, secure, and perpetuate the liberties, rights and privileges which they have derived from their ancestors; hereby, after a careful consideration and revision, ordain and establish the following constitution and form of civil government.

ManyConnecticut citizens are concerned in regard to the usurpation of the majority party, by forcing bills forward. HB 5326 along with all other bills that are working to protect the People from groups which are usurping the Connecticut citizens' security in Connecticut property need a critical eye;

One of this is in protecting the water sources, reservoirs for all Connecticut citizens and our visitors. Without clean drinking water - where will Connecticut residents be -- all of us? Many towns have protected watershed areas under the Report of the Connecticut Council on Water Company Lands, 1977 Without protection of our watershed this is a violation of the Connecticut Constitution, Section 7.

SEC. 7. The people shall be secure in their persons, houses, papers and possessions from unreasonable searches or seizures; and no warrant to search any place, or to seize any person or things, shall issue without describing them as nearly as may be, nor without probable cause supported by oath or affirmation.

Further thought: The Connecticut General Assembly lawyers should be reviewing concepts and bills for their Constitutional merit: Why has this even been raised? Our legislators are to Represent the People and each and every legislator takes an Oath to protect and defend the citizens of Connecticut. This is another bill that violates that trust with an attempt to force "laws" instead of Freedom for the People of Connecticut.

Sincerely,

Anne Manusky, M.Ed.

Matthew 6:24:No man can serve two masters. For either he will hate the one, and love the other: or he will sustain the one, and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon.